

Lies, Deceit & Refarious Schemes

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Issue 14

Well this being the real beginning of the Baseball season this will be the official 1978 LDNS Baseball Edition. This issue is dedicated to Ralph Savidge who played for Cincinnati in '08-'09. I figure that Ralph is a likely canidate for this zine for since he had a 5.76 ERA he was still able to aquire the nickname "The Human Whipcord". To get that nickname with his record he had to do some fancy talking so it is only natural that he belongs within these pages.

LDNS is managed by Jerry H. Jones (1854 Wagner St. Pasadena, CA 91107) and the third base coach is Pat Jones and at first is "BJ" Jones. The phone no. for the dugout is (213) 449-0982. The front office wishes me to remind you that the sub rate is 35 cents an issue (season tickets are \$3.50 for the full ten issue season) and game fees are \$2.00 with a \$2.00 deposit. And while we're on the subject of games LDNS has but one opening remaining in LDNS-9. There will be an LDNS-10 (definately the last game for awhile) and hopefully there will be a DEMO invitational game (more on that inside).

It was strange that last issue I was all excited about the "new" fancy heading and no one said a word about it but they did comment on this type and since it was preferred it will be used. What can I say?

Special Baseball Poll: In this issue of Playboy they have the Manager's Pick of who they would select for their all-star team. Well you have the same opportunity. But in this case you should separate the teams into an American League All-star Team and a National League All-star Team. Select one player from each league for each position and two relief pitchers. After the teams are selected I will run a Strat-O-Matic game using these players and see what comes of it. (The game will use the player's 1977 stats as a guideline.) I guess I'll get the thing started and stick my neck out with my picks; Catcher: J. Bench, T. Munson. First: S. Garvey, R. Carew. Second: J. Morgan, B. Grich. Third: R. Cey, G. Nettles. SS: D. Concepcion, M. Belanger. Outfield: G. Foster, C. Geronimo, R. Smith, J. Rudi, J. Rice and R. Jackson. Pitchers: T. Seaver, B. Sutter, T. Forester F. Tanana, S. Lyle and K. Holtzman. Let's see if yours is batter.

"The Diplomacy's Widows Revenge"

by Pat Jones

Well girls, its me again but this time I come bearing good news. I have discovered the secret as to how you can regain some of your sanity and live through the Diplomacy Crisis. It came to me one night as I sat in my chair looking down at what used to be a crazed sex-manic stacking little blocks on the floor. I had to get even or go crazy so I came up with these ideas for revenge.

First I took all of the yellow blocks and painted "happy faces" on the ends. It drove him crazy! Next on the agenda is to hide one green block each day and every time he comes up to you and asks where's Italy? just say "somewhere in Europe, Honey." (Later you can bribe him into taking you out for dinner for their return. He'll accuse you of blocknapping but what the hell.) The next item is a little tricky but guaranteed to bring a smile to your face. Try to get to the mail box before he does and quickly take out this zine and hide it immediately. When he's not around check the zine until you find the "deadline" date. Wait until that day around 11:30 and hand it to him and very politely say, "is this yours?" Stand back and watch the panic set in. You have no idea what mad rage is until you watch this lunatic dialing the phone with one hand, holding the zine with the other and trying to set up the board with his toes. A sight no woman should miss. Other things you are free to try: Glue the pieces to the bottom of the box, put black dots in every country on the board, or lastly sign up for a game yourself and admit defeat. If you can't lick 'em...

What's So Bad About Doing Good?
by ?????

One idea that has been kicking around Diplomacy for years is the "too fast" theory. This theory relates that if your country grows too fast, other players will ally themselves against you. Finally as the story goes, you would be fighting the whole board.

Allen Calhamer as well as some of the "hot" players subscribe to this idea. Well, I don't believe it. If you can get up there fast, you are in the best position. Being large, at least the other players are going to think twice before attacking you.

If one of your smaller allies starts making nasty noises in your direction you are in a great position to threaten him or beat him down to two or three units. Then you can give him a simple option, live or die. Chances are he'll see it your way. After all, half the fun of Diplomacy is watching the other guy sweat.

If you still don't believe me, let me leave you with this question; Would you rather be first or last?

((Thanx mucho for this article. I have never really given that theory much thought until now. I personally believe that each game dictates what the proper growth rate should be. If there is very little Diplomacy going on then grow like crazy, if there are Strong Alliances formed then a little temperance is required. But don't listen to me, you can count all of the games I've won on your Quarnt.-JHJ))

Personal Profile: Cliff Hardisty

Born in the year that Hitler decided that Poland should become apart of the 1000 year 3rd Reich, it is no wonder that I am a little unstable. I mean when I hear someone say that there is another war going on, I butt in and say "which game and what side do I get?"

I was born and raised on a small ranch in central California. It was actually a farm, we native Californians try to improve on everything. I grew up on the Red Rider, The Lone Ranger, Sky King ((What was the name of his plane?)), Gang Busters, real butter and home made biscuits. Ah, the good old days before television.

I did not take to formal education right away. It was more fun to drag main in my 1940 Ford and chase girls. It wasn't too long before the U.S. Army decided that they needed me to help tear down a wall in Berlin that some dumb Rus had built. After regaining my freedom I married a young girl that I had been chasing before Sam called. We now have three daughters, the oldest who is almost fifteen years old. I did get back to school on the G.I. bill but not until I was 34. I now have two junior college degrees and a total of 144 units that I guess would make me a second semester junior in some four year college's.

My war gaming started three years ago when my oldest nephew received Jutland as a Christmas present. I was the only one intelligent enough of his dumb uncles who would play with him. At the present time I am playing eleven AH games by mail with seven different friendly enemy's. ((I don't want to talk about it--JHJ))

I also subscribe to two other zines besides LDNS ((How dare YOU!!)). In these three zines I am playing four games of Diplomacy and signed up for one more, two games of multi player 3rd Reich, one game of multi player WS&IM and one game of blind PanzerBlitz.

My other interests are hunting, fishing, camping, backcountry trail biking and my family. This is not the set order as my family and I do all of these things together.

Enough of this, I have to get a letter out to try and explain what an English Flect was doing in the Neutralized Channel.

((Thanx, I am really glad to see that my request for profiles has not gone in vain. OK Tony, its your turn.))

The American Diploholics Society has asked me to issue this warning. If you have one or more of the following "warning signs" you should seek their help in controlling the dreaded Diploholic Syndrome.

1. Do you have a yellow substance in your ears?
2. Are you finding lint in your belly button?
3. Do you squint when first stepping into a bright area?
4. Most important, do you wake up in the morning with a strange desire to go to the bathroom?

If you've answered yes to any of the above you are a Diploholic and should immediately contact your local ADS.

A Little Note for Newcomers
To Postal Dippy

by JH Jones

Postal Diplomacy differs from FTF play only in the expense and time it requires to play a game. Everything else remains basically the same. What I am going to try to do now is just give you an overview and possibly some pointers in Postal play. What I'm not going to do is try to tell you how to play. I'll leave that to the experts.

To begin with in postal Diplomacy you must mail or phone your orders in. There are a few ways to insure a smooth running game, one free of NMR's. One method is to mail a set of dated orders in as soon as you receive the zine. After your negotiations you can send in a set of revised moves. Should you forget or the mail holds up your moves at least your first set will be on file. Be sure to date each and every set of orders that you send in, otherwise the GM may not know which set to use and he may use the wrong set. You can try sending in two separate sets each with the same moves on it. This insures that the Post Office doesn't lose one. As far as I have been able to tell this has not been a problem with the exception of post cards. Use post cards at your own risk, they have a tendency to move slower and get lost now and then. Avoid the phone whenever possible (I should talk!) because you have no record of your moves nor does the GM. If a mistake is made, it's too bad.

Next try not to get engrossed with personality's and ethics. The idea is to have fun and enjoy yourself. Don't take the game too seriously, that is to say keep the game in its proper perspective. Play the game to your best ability but hang loose and enjoy yourself.

Avoid too many games at first. You may have a tendency to "burn out" and ruin the game for the rest of the players. Remember that six other players have signed up for the game that you are in so don't spoil it for them by just leaving in the middle of the game. You should always try to give the GM notice before you resign from a game. While we're speaking of resigning, don't feel bad if you must resign. If you must you must. Every player I've ever spoken with would much rather have his ally resign from the game rather than NMR out. But don't resign just because you are losing, in this game anything can, and usually does, happen.

Back to play. The best players use a degree of tactics along with their Diplomacy. One by itself usually doesn't cut the mustard. There is a saying in PD (Postal Diplomacy) that "he who doesn't write is an enemy." Don't believe it. Be leary of someone who doesn't write but allow the game to dictate what is proper for that game. Don't go off half-cocked just because England didn't write you back right away. Give your ally a break. Of course don't go to far to extremes in this direction either. Some of my best alliances are with players who write VERY infrequently and some of my worst enemy's are those who have written quite often. (Right, John?)

The best help that I can give you on tactics is to try to form a FTF game. Seven players is naturally the best but go with what you can get. Also follow other games and try to explain to yourself why somebody made each particular move. If you aren't sure ask someone. I'll be happy to help if I can. To help in this I am going to try the following:

The First And The Greatest Demo Game in LDNS.

Here's what I am trying to do. I am trying to have a DEMO game with some players that have won a game or are, in my humble opinion, some of the quality players. (Please, just because your name isn't here don't consider it an insult. And if you aren't listed but consider yourself able then by all means sign up too.)

The game will be run in sections. For example Fall '01 adjudications will be mailed to the players on a separate piece of paper outside of the zine, while in the zine (that issue) will be the Spr '01 moves along with comments from a neutral party. I am looking for someone to make the commentary for this game. I am hoping that I can twist Eric Verheiden's arm enough that he will agree to do it but if not we will definitely we will have someone do it.

For this game there are a few special rules. One, general orders will be accepted and secondly we will have two standby's who are ready to step in.

My suggestions for the players are:

Doug Beyerlein? Jim Diehl... Dave Ditter ... Ron Kelly Steve McLendon

Dave Mueth Jack Powers ... Jerry Rogowski ... Bob Sergeant

Chuck Spiekerman Tony Watson Eric Verheiden ...???

There will be No Charge for the game. Hope to hear from you soon.

Before I get to the games let me save \$30 in stamps by apologizing to everyone that I am in a game with. I am not dead. For two weeks now I have been holding down two jobs ((Yes, gang, the bum is working full time.)) I hope to be able to arrange my time a little better in the weeks to come.

ON TO THE GAMES....

LDNS-7 1978-CE Fall '01

AUS (Johnson) A Vie-Tyr; A Ser-Gre; F Tri-Ven
ENG (Hardisty) F Nth C A York-Nwy; A York-Nwy; F Eng-Bel
FRA (Kendter) A Gas-Spa; F MAO-Por; A Bur H.
GER (Meier) A Pru-Ber; A Ruhr-Hol; F Den-Nth.
ITA (Peterson) NMR Phantom Moves--A Tyr-Ven; A Rom H; F Ion-Tun.
RUS (Harmon) A War H; A Ukr-Gal; F Sev-Rum; F Both-Swe.
TUR (Eichelberger) NMR Phantom Moves--A Bul H; A Con S A Bul; F Ank H.

Supply Chart

AUS	Home, GRE.....	has 4.....	build 1
ENG	Home, BEL, NWY.....	has 5.....	build 2
FRA	Home, PORT, SPA.....	has 5.....	build 2
GER	Home, DEN, HOL.....	has 5.....	build 2
ITA	Home, TUN.....	has 4.....	build 1
RUS	Home, RUM, SWE.....	has 6.....	build 2
TUR	Home, BUL.....	has 4.....	build 1

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Will Mitchell Bailes (10300 Westlake Dr. Bethesda, MD 20034) please submit standby orders for Italy.

Will Dave Hansen (6312 92nd Ave Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6B 0S5) please submit standby orders for Turkey.

Winter 1901 builds are due June 3rd no later than noon.

1977-II Winter '04

FRANCE GAINS A REPRIEVE DUE TO EXTREMELY LONG WINTER SNOWS

AUS (Tomcufcik) Builds A Vie has F Nap, Gre A Rom, Tri, Bud, Ser, Vie.
ENG (Birmingham) Builds A Lon, A Edi has A Lon, Edi, Den, StP, F Kiel,
F Nth, Swe, Bar.
FRA (Morris) NMR 2Short has A Mar, A Hol, A Ber, A Tyr F MAO, WMED, Lyon
ITA (Rogowski) No change has F Tun A Pied.
RUS (Mueth) Rev F StP has A War, Boh.
TUR (Reges) No change has F Ion, Aeg, Con A Smy, Sev, Ukr.

Orders on file for all countries except France.

Dan Brownell (470 E. Highland Ave Sierra Madre, CA 91024) is asked to submit standby orders for France.

France's Spr '05 and/or any changes are due Jun 3rd at noon.

1977-HW The West Coast Game Fall 1905

Draw Vote called for: Ger/Aus draw (Failure to vote counts as a YES vote)

ITA F Ion ret to Tun

AUS (Sherwood) A Sev S TUR A Ank-Arm, A Ser-Tri; A Vie & A Alb S A Ser-Tri;
A Tri-Ven; F Adr S A Tri-Ven; F Gre-Ion; A Bul S F Gre/nso/.
ENG (Fugihara) F MAO-Port; F Eng-MAO; F Lon-Eng.
FRA (Brownell) F Bre-MAO; A Pie-Mar; A Gas-Spa; A Par H; A Pic-Bre
GER (Spickerman) A Bur S FRE A Pie-Mar; A Tyr-Pied; A Ruh & A Mun S A Bur;
A Bel-Pic; A Hol-Bel; F Kiel, A War, A Mos, F Both all hold.
ITA (Ditter) A Ven-Apu; F Nap-Ion; F Tun S F Nap-Ion; A Arm S GER A Mos-Sev;
/nso/ /d/ ret to Syr or OTB.
TUR (Hard) F Ion S AUS A Alb-Apu/nso/ /d/ ret to EMed, Tyrr, Aeg or OTB;
A Ank-Arm; F Smy H.

Supply Chart

AUS	Home, Ser, Rum, Sev, Bul, Gre, VEN.....	has 9....	build 1
ENG	Home, Nwy, Port.....	has 5....	build 2
FRA	Home, Spa, Pff%	has 4....	remove 1
ITA	Nap, Rom, N/A, Tun.....	has 3....	remove 1
GER	Home, Hol, Den, Bel, Swe, War, Mos, StP.....	has 10....	even
TUR	Home.....	has 3....	even

Winter 1905, Spring 1906 orders due June 3rd, noon.

1978-CE Press:

Moscow-Berlin: Oh, please spare me, sir, I'm too young to die! I have a dog and two monsters. Uh, that's a wife and two kids, and,...well, one second thought,...

Moscow-Budapest: The Czar is seeking forgiveness for ever doubting your courage. "I have always said, if anyone is brave enough to attack Russia and Italy while currently at war with Turkey during '01, it has to be the honorable Stan Johnson."

Oslo: The King of Norway welcomed the English Army into Norway today. He stated publicly that he hoped that the English Tommies enjoyed themselves.

London: After losing its way in the worst storm of the year the Grand Fleet out of London hoped to put into Antwerp for a new supply of seasick pills for the Admiral.

Ruhr: (Essen) The west army group (Army Group Wilhelm von Meier) has been ordered to Holland. The stench of English scows off shore in the North Sea has prompted our Army Group West to spontaneously volunteer and request (to a man) that they take up "Conservation Prevential Stations" along the Dutch coast to clean up any potential "filth spills." The Dutch Government has been taken under our wing and placed in a status of most favored vassals. Its better than being British slaves and they know it.

Berlin: After maneuvers on sovereign Prussian soil the Prussian Army Group (Army Group Otto) has returned to the capital for R&R. Thousands of tender young Russian peasant women were sent to our men in the field while they were in Prussia as a token of Russian decadence. Not one dose of the clap was reported and none of the girls smelled like old sneakers and only three had braided armpits! We the German people do hereby thank our Eastern brethren. Hail Lelandov Harmonovitch! A truly refined gentleman who knows true chivalrousness & good taste. Verily! He is a lecher of high calibre.

Denmark (Esbjerg on the North Sea): Our Fleet of the Fatherland today set out into the foul North Sea in a valiant attempt to befuddle the British baboons. We know not if we'll turn back some insidiously concieved convoy or just throw some shelis at a few barges and scows. We fear most not combat but the English oafs fleeing into the fjords of Norway. We'd hate to find ourselves offshore from England sniffing their pollution. The German Fleet much prefers to remain based in Denmark (Kaiser Meier's Paternal Land of Ancestry) and thus incorporate it into our empire.

As a gesture of friendship the men of the Fleet of the Fatherland invite their Russian brothers to try some Swedish maidens on for size. They are not ours to give but we have no claims on them. (The Swedish Army is a pushover and their women are bored of them.)

The Imperial High Command of the Greater German Reich sends its condolences to the Austro-Hungarian Empire who will soon be expunged. Tough Toenails! Sorry pal but I only got dese two hands y'know. Bye-eee. To the decadent court of that impetuous poof Carl the Craven, High Muckity Muck of Turkey: May your next plate of hummingbird tongues in oil of sesame be rancid...Also, those horrendous things you said of Italy are beneath contempt! How could you?

Von Der Staatszeitung "Der Kriegspiegel"; Our kindly old Kaiser Wilhelm Meier I urges all Norwegian, Galician, Hungarian, Swedish and Rumanian nationals to arise and welcome their coming Russian liberators. All Europe knows that no peoples can breathe free until they are snugly within their natural orbits. The above mentioned peoples, by the laws of God and natural selection, belong within the warm orbit of Good Mother Russia.

Likewise the wood-shod coastal people of the Netherlands, the fur-clad mountain dwellers of the Tyrol, the fish-chomping Danes and the vampire and werewolf chasing Bohemians all belong within the loving hug of der Grosse, Deutsche Vaterland! Ja!! The lost Italian Legion in Tyrolia has behaved reasonably enough (i.e. all wine appropriated and totally deflowered Tyrolian womanhood) and is expected to be gone when the last leaf of Autumn has fallen from the largest tree in the deepest Tyrolian valley. Wir müssen diese haben oder ein krieger wollen wir haben! Raus mit dieser Italienische nussenkopfer. Ja? Ja!!

1977-KC Draw vote FAILS Yes 3 No 1 Failed to vote 3 Spr '04

Draw vote called again. A Ger/Aus draw has been called for.

Votes are due by next issue. Failure to vote will be considered a YES vote.

AUS (Shields) A Ven-Rom; F Nap S A Ven-Rom; F Ion-Aeg; F Tri-Adr;
A Tyr-Ven; A Bud-Rum; A Bul-Con; A Ser-Bul.

ENG (Diehl) F NAO S F Eng-MAO; F Eng-MAO; F Lon-Wales.

FRA (Caruso) A Gas-Mar; A Spa S A Gas-Mar /d/ ret to Port, Gis Gr OTB;
F MAO S A Spa; F Bre S F MAO.

GER (Reges) A Hol S A Bel; A Mun-Bur; A Bel S A Mun-Bur; F Kiel-Den;
A Ber-Sil; F Bal-Swe; F Nwy-Nwg; A Pru-Lvn; A War S A Pru-Lvn;
F StP(sc) S A Pru-Lvn /d/ ordered to ret to Finland.

ITA (Mueth) A Mar-Spa; F Lyon S A Mar-Spa; A Rom H (unordered)/d/ ret to
Apu, Tus or OTB.

RUS (Eichelberger) A Lvn-StP; A Mos & F Both s A Lvn-StP.

TUR (Machir) A Con-Smy; F Ank-Con; A Arm-Sev.

Press:

France to Russia--You are staggered, but still on your feet and you're
still swinging. A true fighter. I salute you again.

France to Italy--The war is almost over.

France to England--I demand the English Channel be vacated or it's war.

France to Turkey--The Turks are also a fearless bunch. Even their admiral
hosguts ((that should be has guts.)) ((My mistake))

France to Germany--Cat got your tongue?

France to Austria--Well cousin, you have your 2 as I promised. I will keep
all my agreements with you. Blood is thicker than sauce.

Paris--Word from the French Leaders is that they can't understand why the
brainless Italians have persisted upon an attack that will see their
own dismemberment. It was also noted that the English were persuaded
into this conflict and are suffering the same consequences. What foolish
people those British.

France to Pasadena--Guess what? I've saved another 65 cents. If you own
a LDNS membership card, you can buy an airplane ticket and fly to NY and
ride the NYC subway system for 50 cents at your own cost.

Whitestone to Pasadena--Ask a silly question, you get a silly answer.

Stick to GMing & Publishing and stop Editing. Only kidding. No hard
feelings? ((By whom?))

London: Dear Paris, Your immediate thrust after taking command was aimed
at Liverpool. Now we both die at the hand of the bloody Hun.

Vienna--The Archduke was asked why he again delayed history by his inane
habit of Declaring Winter. With his lips snarled in rage he told this
reporter, "Red is for Austria, and Red is for the Winter Snow". When
later told that snow is white, the Archduke lagged and lagged! "Try
putting some blood of a turkey on it!"

SOMEWHERE IN THE MED: As a matter of need the Italian Royal Family is
undertaking the title of Kings of Spain...perhaps we can re-establish
the Spanish Empire????

Berlin: The Reich wishes to congratulate the Russian Czar on being true
to his word. Unfortunately for him, so were we. Do not pass season,
do not fail to collect your \$2 deposit.

Munich: To France we will go, to France we will go.

Belgium: I'll be along soon.

Fall '04 and draw votes are due June 3rd by noon.

1977-KX Spring '03

AUS (Hard) A Ser-Rum; A Tri-Bud; A Vie S A Bud-Vie; F Gre H (unordered
F Gre /d/ ret Alb or OTB.

ENG (Harmon) F MAO-Bre; F Lon-Eng; F Nth-Nwg; A Nwy-Fin; F Sev S A Nwy-Fin.

FRA (Reges) A Pic-Bur; A Par & A Mar S A Pie-Bur; A Bre-Gas; F Spa(sc)-
Port.

GER (Peterson) A Mun-Sil; A Ber S A Mun-Sil; A Bur-Pic /d/ ret Mun or OTB;
F Bel S A Bur-Pic; A Hol-Ruh; A Den-Kiel.

ITA (Diehl) A Boh S A Ven-Tyr; A Sil-Gal; F Tyrr-Ion.

RUS (Stratton) A Bud S ITA A Ven-Tri /nso/ /annih; A Rum-Ser; F Sev-Rum;
F Both S GER A Den-Swo /nso/; A StP-Nwy; A Mos-War.

TUR (Long) A Con-Gré; F Aeg C A Con-Gre; A Bul S A Con-Gre; F Blk S A Bul.

Fall '04 moves are due June 3rd no later than noon.

Press on the next page.

Press for 1977-KX:

London to Rome: Jim buddy, I don't know who you are running from, but you're doing a fine job!

Paris: Have English woke up?

Brest: Does anybody know what the hell Italy is doing?

Berlin: The Kaiser has been more than patient with the wandering Italian—it's time to move on Jim.

Pasadena: Quick Jim! Write some press. They're starting to gang up.

Rome: Roman Peace-keeping Troops today attempted to separate the belligerent Russian and Austrian Forces. Europe awaits the outcome--especially the London-Berlin Axis.

Pasadena: Whew!

1977-IS

Fall 1904

Ita A Pied ret to Tus

Tur F Con ret to Ank

AUS (Bumpas) A Ven-Pie; F Adr-Ion; F Con S ITA F Aeg-Smy; A Bul S F Con; A Rum-Sev; A Ukr S A Rum-Sev; A Gal-War.

ENG (Bunke) F Lon-Nth; F Den-Swe; A Nwy S F Den-Swe; F Nth-Den; F Nwg H.

FRA (Agosta) Resigns. A Pic-Bel; A Bur S A Pic-Bel; F Lyon S A Pied; F WMed S F Tun; F Tun H; A Pie S ITA A Tus-Ven /nso/ /d/ ret Mar, Tyr or OTB.

GER (Hartwig) F Hol S A Bel; A Bel S F Hol; A Kiel S A Mun; A Mun S A Sil-Ber; A Sil-Ber.

ITA (Cook) A Tus A AUS A Ven-Pied; F Aeg-Smy; F Tyrr-Lyon; F Ion-Nap.

RUS (Ditter) A Mos-War; F Sev-Blk /d/ ret arm or OTB; A Swe-Ber /d/ ret to Fin or OTB; F Bal C A Swe-Ber.

TUR (Beardsley) Resigns. F Ank S F Blk-Con; F Blk-Con; A Smy S F Blk-Con

Supply Chart:

AUS Home, Rum, Ser, Bul, War, SEV, CON..... has 9..... build 2

ENG Home, Nwy, Den, SWE..... has 6..... build 1

FRA Home, Spa, Por, Tun..... has 6..... even

GER Home, Hol, Bel..... has 5..... even

ITA Homw, Gre..... has 4..... even

RUS StP, Mos, ~~StP~~, ~~StP~~..... has 2..... remove 2

TUR ~~StP~~, Smy, Ank..... has 2..... remove 1

A Seven way draw has been called for ((As far as I am concerned this draw is for the players as of this season)) Votes are due with the Winter '04 Spring '05 orders. A Failure to vote is a YES vote. Votes and moves are due june 3rd noon.

Press:

TURKEY: Well, guys, I'm picking up my marbles and going home. I refuse to be the only person to fight Austria any more. If you are all going to lay down for him, go ahead, roll over. I'm not going to waste postage any longer for situations that cannot be changed, no matter how much you offer or negotiate. Jim will have 12 or 13 centers this year, and maybe 15 next, probably win outright the third. You'll probably vote him a concession, if I judge you all right, before that, though.

What ever happened to good-old-fashioned playing to win? You kno, playing in your own best interests? I really don't want to see Italy or Russia hand over more centers gladly to Austria, while still attacking my powerful 3 center Turkey. I really don't want to see the outcome of the Hartwig/Bunke Duplicate Dip Game (are you guys allied again in the other game?). The rules can't prohibit them. But they sure take the fun out of a game (for the other five players). The E/G situation here was cute, because there was a balance in the game before Germany took off after England. E/G would have destroyed Russia, I would have been checking force vs. Austria, and his expansion could have been slowed, if not shut off. But with the pressure off Russia, I became easy pickins. To think I was destroyed and Austria given the game because of what's happening in another game. Shameful!

Maybe one of you will shock the hell outta me and move against Austria. If you do, congrats for showing some sense. My two centers woldn't have helped you anyway as I'm ruined anyway. If nobody tries to stop Bumpas then I'm just as glad to be out of the game.

Con't on next page.

(Somewhere over the Swiss Alps-via Korbach):

To: One of the 7 Great Powers (namely Turkey): "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." You've sat on your rear the whole game! I may have made some mistakes, but at least I was doing something!"

I admit my cross-game mistake. I have thought over a lot, and now do not agree with them. If you know how stubborn I usually am, you'd realize how important my changing my mind is.

London-St. Petersburg--I dealt with you on a basis of demilitarization in Scandinavia and a resistance to the forces of the mad dogs in Vienna.

Instead you chose to let your homeland go to pot and you demand I help you in some insane war with Germany. This is incredible!

London-Europe: Well gents, I think our friend in St. Pete is in league with the devil. I'll give you three guesses as to where the devil resides. (hint: It's a capital that begins with a "V".)

Windsor-Korbach: I changed my mind the day after I phoned you.

The new French player is Craig Reges (16 W 761 White Pines Rd Bensenville, Ill 60106)

Will Ron Kelly (6038 Richmond Hwy Apt. 314 Alexandria, Va 22302) please assume Turkey.

1978-AK Spr '02

AUS (Harmon) A Ser-Bul; A Rum & F Gre S A Ser-Bul; A Bud-Gal; A Vie-Tyr; A Tri-Ven

ENG (Hard) F Nth-Ska; F Edi-Nth; F Nwg-Bar; A Nwy-StP.

FRA (Shields) F Spa(sc)-MAO; A Par-Gas; A Bcl H; F Mar-Lyon; A Pied S A Tri-Vcn /nso/

GER (Hardisty) A Ber-Pru; A Sil S A Ber-Pru; F Swe-Den; F Kiel-Ber; A Hol-Kiel.

ITA (Tomcufcik) F Rom-Tyrr, A Ven-Tyr; A Tun-Apu; F Ion C A Tun-Apu.

RUS (Gallagher) F Bal-Swe; A Fin S F Bal-Swe; A Ukr-War; F Sev-Blk.

TUR (Hansen) F Ank-Blk; A Arm-Sev; F Smy-Acg; A Bul H /d/ ret Con or OTB.

Fall '02 moves are due June 3rd noon.

Press:

BERLIN: The German High Command was forced today to withdraw its troops from Eastern Silesia because of the Russian stomach flu.

BERLIN: After a long hard winter in Sweden, the High Sea's Fleet has been ordered to a warmer and healthier climate.

MOSCOW (April 3, 1902): Ivan O'Breznovitch was today asked to spend the next 20 to 30 years in a small retreat in scenic Siberia. This action was taken when it was discovered that Ivan's entry in the "I own an original letter from King Dave of England" contest was indeed a forgery. As a result of this disqualification, a J.H. Jones of Pasadena wins the First Prize of one week in downtown Berlin. The Second Prize, of two weeks in downtown Berlin, will not be awarded due to lack of entries.

MOSCOW (April 5, 1902): Rumor has it that top Russian chess player, Patriska Joneski, has decided that chess has become too "bore-ing" and will retire from competition to become middle linebacker for the Sev. Skunks professional foosball team. When asked to comment on the possible problem of sharing the locker room with her male teammates, the demure Miss Joneski said, "What problem is this? Long as those guys keep distance, is no problem." However, team Captain Sergi Tuday could only say, "Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo-Wow!!!!"

PARIS: Sorry to all, but a letter containing virus of the Legionnaire Type, Phila. was sent to the wrong person. I don't know who I sent it to, but I have contacted the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, GA. Damn it, missed again!!!

Budapest to London: What's that? \$40 says I can't take Turkey, Italy and Russia at the same time? You have got yourself a deal! (Tune in same time next turn to see if this big-headed lunatic is really as crazy as he appears.)

LDNS-8 Number, please.

AUS (Powers) A Bud-Ser; F Tri-Alb; A Vie-Gal.

ENG (Poore) F Lon-Eng; F Edi-Nth; A Lvp-Wales

FRA (Watson) A Par-Pic; A Mar-Spa; F Brc-MAO

GER (Harmon) A Mun-Ruhr; F Kiel-Den; A Ber-Kiel

ITA (Johnson) A Ven-Pie; A Rom-Nap; F Nap-Ion

RUS (Brownell) A War-Gal; F Scv-Blk; A Mos-Ukr; F StP(sc)-Both

TUR (Diehl) A Ank-Blk; A Con-Bul; A Smy-Con

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LDNS-8 Con't.

Fall 1901 orders are due June 3rd noon.

Press:

London to Paris: D'al, vous vache, nous avrons une guerre ne vit ni avant ni apres les jours du Alexander III!!!

London to Geneva; If you want or need a translation, please announce that I was victorious in the Trivia contest. Please, I'm begging.

OH, YEAH, I FORGOT--Jerod Poore was the winner of the first annual trivia Contest with six correct answers, John Michalski was second with two.

While I'm remembering things Bob Sergeant wishes me to announce that he has openings in his zine. Openings in Diplomacy that is.

Bob's address is 3242 Lupine Dr. Indianapolis, IN 46224. I am asking Bob for a sample, why not you too?

Hey Bob, how 'bout a sample?

Well I here by challenge any other zine to a softball game. The LDNS team is done with its practice and we are ready to take on all comers.

The team roster is:

Manager: Jerry (Skipper) Jones

Coaches: Pat and BJ Jones (BJ will not be available for all of the games as he sometimes substitutes for second base.)

Catchers: Craig (boom-boom) Reges

Carl Eichelberger (Carls on the tem because his name doesn't fit in the score card.)

First Base: Doug (Stretch) Beyerlein

Cliff (Butterfingers) Hardisty

Second Base: Mitchell (Wagon Tongue) Bailes

Andy (Earache) Meier

Third Base: John (The Crab) Morris

Steve (The Giant Killer) Shields

Shortstop: Jim (Highpockets) Diehl

Jack (Rubber Arm) Powers

Outfield: John (Sultan of Sweat) Caruso

Tony (The Gallatin Squash) Watson

Leland (Turkeyfoot) Harmon

Ken (Babe Ruth's legs) Peterson

Stan (Old Tomato Face) Johnson

Pitchers: Dennis (Spitball) Agosta

(Silent Cal) White

Bob (The Wild Elk of the Wasatch) Sergeant

Gary (The Count of Luxembourg) Stratton

Andy (The Arkansas Humming Bird) Tomcufcik

Team Doc: Roger Birmingham

Team Tooth Fairy: Bob Gallagher

((By the way, each nickname above is a real nickname of pro ball players from the pre-fourty's. One I did misspell but it was worth it.))

The one and only official LDNS rating system. Read carefully for I won't repeat it. The player rating system goes like this: If you win you get one point. If you draw you get one point. If you lose you get no points. Simple? (Would someone explain that to Dave?) ((Now try to figure which Dave I'm talking about!))

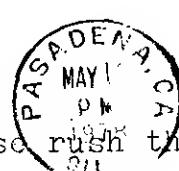
For those of you who haven't heard, postal rates will be increased to 15 cents by the end of the month. I'm not complaining. As someone explained it to me 15 cents is cheap for mailing a letter from here to New York. That's not too bad really, it comes out to be about a penny a day.

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